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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

"This application is a national phase of PCT/FR00/01861 which was filed on June 30, 2000 and was not published in English."